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Which should it be called—the Assembly Both, perhaps.

We are waiting for Gov. Hill's suspension of Mr. Andrews, the State Superintendent of Public Buildings, and a suit of recovery by the Attorney-General.

There was a clear steal from the State of at least \$150,000 in that ceiling job at Albany. The people propose to know who the thieves are. The sooner this gets through the minds of certain gentlemen at Albany the better it will be.

Even the new Court-House job pales before the Assembly ceiling job. If for every ceiling in the new Court-House \$150,000 had been stolen, the Tweed Ring proof is found to be the unconscionable would have been richer than it was and scoundrel Pigorr. It is already shown to be immutably fixed by a signed and the wrath of the people would have been that this man has taken steps to sell his scaled contract. There is something like greater. Tweedism must be suppressed in testimony to the highest bidder, and the selling one's birthright in entering into Albany.

Pastor Brown, of St. Thomas's Church, yesterday administered a mild rebuke to Supt. Williams, the church agent, who holds that St. Thomas's is organized solely for the benefit of its rich patrons. The paster says that the church is open and free to all who seek the consolation of religion. This leaves DIVES WILLIAMS in the vocative and ends the discussion.

Mrs. OLIVE C. FRIEND, W. E. and EMILY HOWARD and GEORGE and O. A. HALSTEAD have been arrested and jailed at Ann Arbor, Mich., charged with fraud in connection with the Electric Sugar-Refining scheme, which was recently exploited here. The indictments were found in New York City in January. One of the Howards

wiop to corrupt practices "the people same Grand Jury. would not pause to count the cost of it."

elections diminished three-quarters after and instructed the County Republican the establishment of the reform. Bribery Chairmen how to proceed in using money for in elections is almost unknown in that this purpose, is too plain to admit of denial. country, and the secret ballot-box has given In his second charge, made after consultathe Home Rulers most of their gains.

During the week which closed on Saturday, the 16th inst., the New York WORLD printed and circulated 2,268,520 copies. By way of establishing the universality of THE WORLD's circulation, 1,209 families in this city have been canvassed by reporters within the past fortnight. It was found that in these representative families a total of 557 Worlds were read daily, while the total of the Sun, Herald, Tribune and Times, was 453. This shows the relative circulation of New York newspapers in such way as to startle the incredulous. Despite the dismal weather yesterday THE WORLD's circulation was but a fraction under 270,000 copies. Yesterday's World contained 4,293 advertisements, while the Herald, Sun and Times only showed a total of 4,273. In THE WORLD's ample pages might have been found 1,335 advertisements under the heads of Help Wanted and Situations, while the Herald under similar classifications showed but 486. These facts and figures are all accessible to the public.

HOW TO INVESTIGATE.

The Legislature will resume to-morrow the inquiry into the Assembly ceiling scandal before the Appropriations Committee. Mr. Sheehan gave Chairman Ainsworth some hints as to the witnesses it might be well to call before him. Among the names suggested were those of all the members of the Ceiling Committee, Supt. ANDREWS, Contractors SNAITH and SULLI-VAN, Lobbyman Eugene Woods and others. Some of these have already been examined without much profit. Not one of them is likely to admit that he has any knowledge of anything wrong, or that his share in the transaction has not been entirely upright, disinterested and honest.

Our own advice to the Committee or Appropriations would be to ascertain just how much has been stolen from the State, and who has stolen it. To that end, if we supposed that Mr. AINSWORTH really meant business, we should suggest to him to bring before the Committee as witnesses every man who furnished material or did work under the contractors, and to compel them to produce their books, letters and accounts, and ascertain just how much they received.

But we say plainly that we have no faith But we say plainly that we have no faith officials. Quite naturally, exasperated by the killing in the Appropriations Committee. We do of their countrymen, they had fallen into the error not believe that Speaker Cole and his associates in the ceiling business will be honestly investigated by any of Speaker Cole's committees. That is why we repeat our demand upon Gov. HILL for the suspension of Supt. Andrews and the institution of proceedings by the Attorney-General to recover the money of which the State has been defrauded. That is the most effective method of getting at the truth.

COLLAPSE OF THE PARNELL CHARGES.

There is still more examination and crossand an uncertain amount of oratory. But laid bare. The presumption is that all it has to offer is now substantially in sight. The Times has reserved what it consid-

the spy LE CARON was placed on the stand, far as public opinion is concerned, what- desire to assist in the detection of the real ceiling job, or the Assembly stealing job? ever its effect upon the judges may prove to be. And as it is at the bar of public the conclusions of the Court are of minor importance.

Following the Le Caron episode came the matter of the much-mooted letters. Upon detection and punishment of the original these the Times based its original charges, culprits. We give in another column the but when it saw that there was doubt of pith of a few of the press comments upon their genuineness it endeavored to discount | the subject, and whatever may be the final the effect of the disclosure of their forgery, if it should come to pass, by assuming to ful student of our State politics will find in be justified by the great mass of indefinite these words in behalf of honesty much information of which LE CARON supplied a hopefulness for the future. notable part. But the prosecution contends, it seems, that the letters are genuine, and the all-essential link in the chain of its result is that it is utterly worthless without

full corroboration. of the Times have been proved to have may realize that it is time for her to retire. bought and made use of the letters without | but why should anybody be permitted to taking proper means to verify them. They pay her a premium for depriving the believe. The effect of all the trouble and the pleasure of listening to further delightexpense they have thus caused is to ad- ful notes that it may be within her power vance the interests of Home Rule.

THE DUDLEY CASE.

The Tribune emits a low chuckle of satisfaction over what it terms the "collapse of the Dudley case" at Indianapolis.

through the intervention of Judge Woods.

In his first charge Judge Woods said: tion. It comes hard, but they are begin-The improved system substantially did this "The latter clause of the section makes ning to yield at last and to build centre-In England, according to the Liberals who any one guilty who counsels bribery; it is a boards. This being the case, it will be in secured its adoption. It was officially crime to advise another to make the attempt." order for our yachtsmen to use a proper

tion with prominent Republicans at Washington and at home (not with Judge GRESHAM, however), Judge Woods charged that " the mere sending, by one to another, of a letter or document containing advice to bribe a voter, or setting forth a scheme of such bribery, however bold or reprehensible, is not indictable."

This bold reversal of his own charge by personal, partisan and (as it appears) judicial friend of Gen. HARRISON and of the accused, defeated the ends of justice. The chuckling of the Tribune over this result sufficiently explains why it declines to express an opinion of the "moral character" of the Dudley letter.

CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE-BROKERS.

If President HARRISON'S intentions ar correctly understood and reported by men who have talked with him, he purposes to perpetuate the most demoralizing and hurtful feature of the spoils system-the recognition of Senators and Representatives as patronage-dispensers for their respective States and districts.

The evils resulting from this practice are threefold :

(1) It mixes the Executive and legislative functions in a manner which the Constitution carefully sought to forbid, and by subjecting the members of Congress to the importunities of office-seekers prevents a propers attention to the vastly more important business for which they are elected.

(2) By making mere office-mongers of members of Congress it tends to lower the grade of the legislative body-supplanting broad-minded statesmen with mousing politicians who climb into place on the ladder of patronage.

(3) It breaks down the independence of both the people's Representatives and their lesser servants. A Congressman dependent upon the favor of an Administration is little better than a lackey in office. An official dependant upon the influence of a Congressman becomes a personal instead of a public servant.

Gen. HARRISON will make a mockery of all his professions in behalf of Civil-Service Reform if he shall farm out the offices through Senators and Representatives.

An Associated Press despatch from Washington says :

When shown the advices received from Samoa b steamer arriving at San Francisco to-day, Secretary Bayand to-night said that Capt. MULLAN, of the Nipsic, had acted sensibly in taking care of KLEIN, the correspondent. Regarding this man there seemed to be a misunderstanding on the part of the German of supposing that KLEIN was the leader of the native forces, and had wished to punish him. Therefore he was glad that Klein had got back safely to the United

Mr. KLEIN, THE WORLD correspondent, is safe in San Francisco, no thanks to the German satraps of Samoa. The indignities to which he was subjected while in the discharge of his duties should be made a matter of investigation. Will not Mr. SHERMAN, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, permit Mr. KLEIN to testify to the true condition of affairs in Samoa? Perhaps Mr. BAYARD will be able examination to come in the Parnell trial to retire from office with a better knowledge of diplomacy as it is understood the case of the prosecution has at last been in Berlin, after Mr. KLEIN has visited Washington.

It is an encouraging sign of a tendency ered its most important blows for the last, towards reform in the methods of State the earlier testimony being, in fact, but a administration that the ceiling rascality at preparation for what was produced last Albany has provoked the universal denun-Pigott. A trump card was played when party journals strive to place the burden of the crime upon the shoulders of their politbut he injured the defendants not a whit so | ical opponents, but all evince a hearty offenders, let who may suffer. This feeling has been intensified by the alleged bribery opinion that the case is really being tried, attempt in connection with the investigation, and the briber, if briber there be, has thus unwittingly aided the ends of justice by creating a still louder demand for the outcome of the investigation the thought-

Thirty nights more of Parri next Winter and then the country is to listen to her voice no more forever. This is understood obligations of this kind. And there is good reason to believe that they might be set Upon their own evidence the managers aside as contrary to public policy. Patti jumped at a conclusion they were eager to American people, or any other people, of to sing? The principle is a bad one. Let the good old rule of the repeated annual positively farewell " tours be preserved.

There is nothing which Englishmen have clung to with more bull-dog tenacity than Our organic contemporary knows that the idea that the cutter can beat the centre-Dudley was saved from indictment solely board yacht. Year after year they have come across the Atlantic to take the Amer-The case did not "collapse"-it is as ica Cup back to England, and as often promises a big sensation when he reaches strong as it ever was. The Federal Judge have our centre-boards serenely left them who presided simply snatched Dudley from in the rear. They have even barred the the clutches of the law, going to the centre-board from competition in Eng-An opponent of Ballot Reform says that extraordinary length of completely revers- lish waters, but as this does not exactly if "new election machinery" will put a ing his own previous instructions to the prove that the cutter is the faster vessel they are far from satisfied with the situashown that the expenditure of money in | That the Dudley letter counselled bribery, | degree of vigilance with reference to that

piece of marine silverware of which we have so long enjoyed the possession.

It is reported in the Tribuns that Mr. Dorsey's side-partner, Mr. Windom, is entirely satisfied with his visit to Mr. HARRIson. He is to be Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Ester, the Tribuns says, is foremost for Secretary of Interior. Ester swung the Pacific Coast for HARRISON at Chicago and he is expected to take his stand with Mr. WANAMAKER, who swung \$400,000 into the campaign pool. But worst of all, the Tribune actually reports that Judge Woods, the man who has just helped DUDLEY escape the clutches of the law, may have a seat in the Cabinet to the exclusion of New York. And all this a Republican organ can attribute to Mr. HARRISON without a blush of shame or a word of warning!

A decided change of sentiment on the question of an extra session of Congress this Spring is said to have taken place among the Senators within the last week. They assert that the condition of the appropriation bills is such that if the House meets the Senate half way they will become laws before March 4th. The agreement upon the Direct Tax Bill wipes out about \$20,000,000, and the appropriations which seem to be agreed upon will practically absorb the remainder of the surplus for the coming year. These probabilities, the Senators and others say, do away with the necessity for an extra session before October, if then.

Fortunately the Czarevitch and the Princess ALEX. of Hesse, whose betrothal is announced, are not first cousins though they are related in but a slightly remoter degree. the mother of the present Czar being s daughter of the house of Darmstadt. The Princess is the granddaughter of Queen VICTORIA, who will thus have a descendant on the throne of Russia as well as one on that of Germany. The father of the Princess figured in a scandal after the death of his wife, but if he sacrificed any soci

ering the matter, nobly resolved not to let that interfere.

A Republican organ, rendered nervous by THE WORLD's disclosures of trouble ahead for the incoming Administration, adjures the leaders to "stand together for harmony and future success." This sort of admonition will have about as much effect upon the rival factions as would an infunction to the Kilkenny cats to eat cream out of the same saucer. The "harmony" between SHERMAN, FORAKER and ALGER, PLATT and MILLER, QUAY and CAMERON, BLAINE and EDMUNDS, will be of the Donnybrook variety. There is music in the air !

The minority report of the House Comnittee on Foreign Affairs on the Senate Panama Canal resolution may not prevail, but it does the good service of relieving the oppressed Monroe doctrine from the extraneous and irrelevant matter with which it has been loaded down. The difference between the establishment of a new European monarchical dependency in this hemisphere and the contraction of a commercial treaty between a European republic and an American nation, as the report points out, is very

THERE IS ANOTHER CLOUD over the royal households of Europe. A number of princes and potentates refuse to display a hypocritical nourning for the untimely end of the late Crown Prince of Austria. This is really deplorable. Perhaps Rudolph was not as straitlaced as he should have been, but he was heir-apparent to a crown. Surely the royal families of the Old World should honor his memory. His habits He had unusually hard luck and was foolish enough to get caught. Otherwise he was much the same as his equals in rank, and he died heavily in debt.

THE ANNUAL DOG SHOW IS to open to-morrow at Madison Square Garden. The entries are more numerous than on any previous occasion. and there will probably be one or two more classifications than at last year's show. A few years ago a sufficient number of thoroughbred dogs to make a respectable exhibition could carcely be found in New York. Now the exhibition will contain a very large collection of as fine animals of all breeds as can be produced even in London, the city of dog-fanciers.

cormandizing characteristics is not enviable. and their display has not been confined of late to supper rooms. A young Washingtonian at a verman a few nights ago filled his pockets with favors belonging to a fair and popular maiden, who saw him just as he was concealing the last of his plunder under his vest. Entertainers at the capital will have to screw their furniture to the floors yet, if this sort of thing is not stopped.

IT IS STRANGE that some bright American girl loes not grasp the fact that she could make a sensation by writing an interesting novel which was not indecent.

IT IS PLEASANT to see a Mayor who spends his time not in laying political pipes but in urging the burial of electric wires. THE FESTIVE TOBOGGAN Went swiftly down

the shute into the bouillon this Winter. The People's Encyclopædia.

[From the Kingston Freeman,]
THE WORLD Almanac is a remarkable producion. There is hardly a fact or statistic of interest relating to the United States which it does not contain. Its election returns are especially valuable, an important feature not given in other almanacs being a full list of Congressional districts and the counties comprising them in every State, as well as the complete vote cast in them at the last election.
[From the Harrisburgh Telegran

An apt title is a strong card, and the New York WORLD makes a centre shot in terming its Almanac for 1889 a "Bureau of Information." Such it is truly, embodying a mass of facts and atatistics that renders it indispensable to every man of affairs. In short, THE WORLD beats the world with this treasury of practical knowledge.

Down Go the Wages.

(From the Philadelphia Record.)
How is it that all changes of wages noted in the public prints nowadays are downward † Re ductions here, cuts there, and lower schedules somewhere else-such is the course of the workingman's wage from day to day. The point of this is that the political destrinaires who told the laborer last Fall how the tariff kept up his wages were lying to him.

PERSONAL AND PERTINENT.

The late French artist Cabanel left an estate alued at nearly half a million dollars. There is one religious pew in this city always

courtsons to strangers, and that's Depew. The late Crown Prince Rudolph, of Austria. left debts amounting to 8, 750,000 marks.

There is an alliterative and financial fitness in placing Windom beside Wanamaker in the list of Cabinet certainties.

Mrs. Amélie Rives-Chanler is completing novel entitled "The Witness of the Sun. There is a warmth about the title worthy of the A number of Chicago politicians are making

an effort to obtain the release of Anarchist Neebe, who was sentenced to seventeen years in Otto Hegner, the musical prodigy, is still adding to his laurels in London. The best critics in that city agree that he is, on the whole, greater

than Joseph Hofmann. Yesterday afternoon Marshall P. Wilder spent pleasant hour with the French comedian, Coquelin. These distinguished artists are great admirers of each other. Strange to say they are

not the least bit jealous. Mme. Mutau, wife of the Japanese Minister at Vashington, has made 1,200 social calls since the season began. Last Spring she could not speak a word of English. She is now a good conversationalist in our tongue.

Senator Coke, of Texas, is a firm believer in Spiritualism. He is a large, fine-looking man, n vigorous health, and not in appearance a per given to tampering with the other world. But he attends a great many séances, and is fully convinced that the dead and the living can ommunicate with each other. Major Pond has received a letter from "Max

O'Rell" in which the manly man says: "Of ourse my book is full of absurdities. How ould it be otherwise ? I should pity from the bottom of my heart the American who would take the book seriously and who would not or could not see under a little coating of criticism dear people. After President-elect Harrison has disposed of

all his callers, which is often late in the afteroon, he starts out for his afternoon walk. He is an active pedestrian and steps along at the rate of five miles an hour. He generally walks by himself, and in these days does some heavy thinking during his lonely rambles. He avoids crowded thoroughfares and confines his rambles to secluded localities. But now and him to some spot from which escape is impos

"Whistling Life," or, more ceremoniously, Elijah W. Halford, has no sinecure as Private Secretary to the President-elect. He receives 300 or 400 letters a day. These he reads, shows some of them to Gen. Harrison, files a few and answers all of them. He is at work early in the morning, and sometimes devotes his evening to completing his correspondence. One of the nost curious epistles he has yet received came from a Boston man, who offered to give Mr. Halford lessons in whistling. He was informed that Mr. Halford has no need for further instruction in that line.

Says a correspondent in Montreal: "Several additions have recently been made to the Amercan colony at Montreal, but they are not very well known yet. James A. Moore, the Indianpolis agent for the Connecticut Mutual Life insurance Company, is living in a private oarding-house here with his daughter Julia. His exact address is not known. John E. Sullian, the defaulting City Clerk of Indianapolis, here, accompanied by his bookkeeper, young man named McNeal. During Carnival reck there was also a man here under the name of Riley, who was supposed to be Foster, the defaulting attorney of the New York Produce Exchange Gratuity Fund."

CRISP TALK.

Washington Critic: Weather poets ought to know meterology. Jewellers' Weekly: How does a soldier resem-

ble a watch? He marks time. Binghamton Republican : He is a rare man of shose work it can be said, well done. Terre Haute Express: Faint heart never odged fair lady if she was determined on cap-

Munsey's Weekly: It is a very unfortunate thing for the poets that the best known rhyme for Cupid is stupid.

Terre Haute Express : Terre Haute's modest young lady has reported again. She has draped the lower limbs of all the shade trees at home. Yonkers Statesman: Jay Gould began his ousiness career by sweeping out a broker's office. Subsequently he cleaned out the broker. Philadelphia Ledger: The Hungarian Diet, which attracts unusual attention just now, must be too high-spiced, judging from its exciting

Pittsburg Caronicle: A Meadville barber has received a White Cap notice. It is doubtful if even this will provide his conversation with ter-minal facilities.

Boston Transcript : Cardinal Manning says the United States is going to seed, and Congress-nan Russell declares that too much seed is going to the States. That's the way folks differ. Rochester Post-Express : It is eminently proper to refer to the unknown man who will give \$20,000,000 to found a Baptist University as a philanthropist of the first water.

Boston Post: A Washington man volunteers to be one of fifty who will adopt "the many and graceful knee-breeches" and start the fashion. Such heroism could only come from good calves.

Cleauliness Next to Godliness. [From the Philodelphia Bulletin.] As the result of a spirited agitation by the

New York World, a bill has been introduced at Albany providing for the establishment of a public bath and wash house in the city of Nev York. It is proposed that the institution shall be provided with bathing and laundry facilities, and that the charges shall be low enough to accommodate the poorer classes. If the bill should become a law all of the large cities will be interested in watching the experiment. Sani- Minnesota is a strongly Republican State, but tary science has made remarkable progress in recent years, but the old doctrine of the virtues of cleanliness is still a maxim in health preservation. Public Summer baths are quite common, and it is a matter for congratulation that the conveniences for Winter bathing are to be offered the class who at least have the reputation of being averse to water during the Winter months.

Two Classes All Republicans. [From the Cincinnati Commercial.]

There are two classes of Republicans applying for office under Harrison. First and rather foremost the Republicans who think themselves entitled to office because they have once been in. Second, those who prefer fresh blood because they have got it in their own veins. There is a conflict along the line between those classes. Here is room for the application of a great principle. Shall the old fellows or the young fellows be preferred ?

Credit Where Credit Is Due.

(From the Chicago News.)
When Senator Harris announced in Congress last Wednesday that Indiana had cast its electoral vote for Grover Cleveland he was evidently oblivious to the great public services of the Hon. Doubleyou Doubleyou Dudley.

Fate of a Diplomat. [From the Rochester Pust-Express.] Minister Phelps seems to have left an aching vold on the other side of the water without fillTHE ASSEMBLY CEILING.

Some Representative Press Opinions Anen the Shocking Swindle.

(From the Rockester Union Dem.) Advices from Albany are to the effect that whitewash will not stick to the Assembly cham-

ber ceiling. [From the Froy Press-Dem.] A committee ordered to investigate a scandal creates another scaudal by turning round and

nvestigating itself. [From the Utlea Observer - Dem. The whole truth must speedily come out, even f the newspapers have to exploit it without the id of the Assembly,

(From the Elmira Gasette-Dem. Rows also said he thought the contractor did not make more than \$40,000 on the job-as if that were only a fair profit. Evidently it is expected that the State will be bled.

[From the Utica Press-Ind.] There are too many of these "whitewashing reports. Gross negligence on the part of some ne is apparent and it ought not to be very difficult to find out who is the guilty party. [From the Kingston Freeman-Rep.]

The building of the Capitol has been one dreary and continuous scandal for years. And never has villainy been more open and defiant, or more clearly exposed, than in this ceiling job. [From the Troy Standard-Ind.] The Appropriations Committee,

Speaker Cole, may as well give all the facts. The Chairman of that Committee, Mr. Ainsworth, does not appear to have acted with perfect openness in the matter. [From the Rome Sentinel-Dem.] Under the present investigating Committee all that can be safely kept from the public may be

expected to be kept secret. The job is now pening the eyes of the people of this State to the true inwardness of some of our legislation

The Committee was only too willing to believe n Supt. Andrews, and Supt. Andrews had a child-like faith in the contractors. Perhaps Andrews was an unwitting bunco-steerer. The entire old Capitol cost \$100,000. This papermash ceiling cost \$270,000. | From the Utica Herald-Rep. 1

This Assembly ceiling scandal is very bad. It bad for the Committee which had the change f ceiling in charge. It is worse for Supt. Andrews. The Committee voted to award a contract for a \$270,000 piece of work without knowing whether it was to be of matched stuff or rough boards. [From the Buffalo Courier-Dem.]

Mr. Ainsworth, of Oswego, Chairman of the Assembly's Committee on Appropriations, is not onducting the ceiling inquiry to the satisfaction of the press of the State. Some of the papers are very severe on him. Yesterday's New fork Wongo handles him in rough fashion. If Mr. Ainsworth does not speedily turn over a new eaf in the management of this matter he will probably ruin himself without saving those who have shared the enormous profit of the ceiling ob. The sharers are past saving. The matter has gone so far that the truth must and will come out, no matter who may be harmed by it.

THE ALBANY LOBBY.

Men Who Have Fallen Heirs to Ed Pholps's [From the Troy Press. "The King is dead! Long live the King!"

may be cried with effect this year. Phelps, who was the King of the Lobby, has not been seen this year, but he is ably represented by Eugene Woods, a young man who is never seen talking to any member but whose hands are in nearly every large deal. The railroad companies show up the largest number of lobbyists. There is Hamilton Harris, who does quiet "legal work" for the Central-Hudson, which road also has

up the largest number of lobbyists. There is Hamilton Harris, who does quiet "legal work" for the Central-Hudson, which road also has two men to look over all bills and give them warnings. E. B. Hinsdale, of Long Island, is another on this list, and Charles P. Shaw and Edward B. Thomas, of New York, may be seen about frequently. George Blair flies about once and awhile looking out for Elevated-road interests, and the suave and pleasant "Deacon" Richardson moves in society quite frequently. Henry W. Box, of Buffalo, is a quiet kind of a worker, and is simply employed "fixing "matters for the Buffalo surface-road Trust. These are the men who are known to dispense money for "favors, gentlemen."

There are others who lobby for different considerations, but who do little or no bribery, reckoning almost entirely upon their "pull" with various members. Some of these men would scorn the appellation of lobbyists, but the fact remains that they are. Any man who by argument, threat or money tries to influence a vote is a lobbyist. His place to oppose or favor bills is in open committee sessions and not by solicitation. Moses Dedge, who ran for Congress here, is a worker on the prison question, and Warden Brush, of Sing Sing, is just as energetic in his way. Elbridge T. Gerry does some tall lobbying. James Bentley and Smith O'Brien join hands and make a formidable duo. The latter is devoting his whole time to the business just now, and is evidently doing lucrative work.

The lobby exists because the State Legislature is afraid of it. Of course there are plenty of honest members, but the majority of all the members are with the lobby. To show how completely the lobby controls the present Legislature of the State, it is only necessary to quote one case out of a very great many this Winter. Last year Assemblyman Connolly, of New York, championed the Bottail-Car bill in New York City and refused to be bought out. This year he was elected for a second term, and of course expected that he would be put upon a few of the important

All Eyes on New York.

The people of the country are exhibiting a great deal of interest in David B. Hill. Now he has been invited to go out to Minnesota. Some hide-bound Republicans objected to inviting a good Democrat, but the intelligent people of Minnesota want to see one of the most noted men of the day, so Gov. Hill has been asked. we have yet to hear that any other Governor-Republican or Democrat-has been requested to drop in and make a social call on Minnesota. Evidently there is a growing demand for Gov. Hill in the West.

They Never Look at Home.

[From the Chicago Herald.] When a Southerner yelled "blocks of five" in the House of Representatives the other day he came near precipitating a riot. In the estima tion of the average Republican it is unconstitu tional for the South to discover any skulduggery at the North.

The Ties that Bind Them.

The report that Coquelin and Hading have quarrelled again, to be properly understood, must be read in the light of the fact that those charming artists are about to reappear in New York. The ties that bind Coquelin and Hading are the advertise.

Too Much Government. [From the Kansas City Times.]

An Atchison woman with a family of girls raised them up with the fixed determination that not one of them should every marry a Missourian, a Democrat or a man named John, and the very first one to go married all three.

Settling a Vexed Question.

The discovery that one of the New York churches pays dividends to its pew-renters gives a final answer to the question, "Does religion

"HE PLEADS THE BABY ACT."

Ex-Commissioner Edgerton's Comment Mr. Cleveland's "Open Letter."

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD, Washington, Feb. 17.—It was the intention of Mr. Edgerton, ex-President of the Civil-Service Commission, to give to the press for publication to-morrow morning an open letter concern ing the administration of the Civil-Service law. but he has not been able to get the letter ready. His letter will undoubtedly throw a new light on civil-service reform and its relations to De nocracy. It will come partly in the character of a reply to the open letter of President Cleve of a reply to the open letter of President Cleve-land, as the interview published in the Baltimore Suss last Friday in reality was. A Wonto corre-spondent called upon Mr. Edgerton to-night Taking up the published interview with Presi-dent Cleveland, he read this extract concerning the administration of the Civil-Service act.

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With reference to the civil-service system he is as firm and decided as in his views on the tariff quastion. He believes that civil-service reform has constitued in the constant of the control of the civil-service reform has constituent of the control of the control of the civil-service and embarrassed to stay. He has treated it such an embarrassed by the vagaries of sentimental reformers and theorists who have been continually urging him to do this or that for mere sensational effect which he did not regard as judicious. He has redeavored to give the Civil Service scheme a fairly, and expresses himself as fully satisfied with he results. There may be differences of opinion as the presults he thinks the examinations are, on the whole, about the best test of merit that can be deviaed it is containly far preferable to the spoils system, and he has no fear that it will degree and he has no fear that it will degree and he has no fear that it will examine the containing the containi

to give where scope to Civil-Service reform through the men.

"Now, that is Mr. Cleveland," said Mr. Edgerton, commenting upon the passage which he had read. "It is the President himself who speake—that is his own open letter, so to speak, written to justify his Administration as well in regard to civil-service reform as other things. It is his apologia pro vita sua, as obe might say, and in it he plays the baby act. He doubts, forsooth, whether sufficient clearing out has been done to subserve the best interests of the Government by filling the places of inefficient with capable men. Well, whose fault is it if there has not been sufficient clearing out? If there is a doubt is Mr. Cleveland entitled to the benefit of it? I will leave the Democratic party and the country to answer.

"Here is a list (and he held it up to view) which contains the names of sixty-one persons from a single State—and a small State at that-all employed in one department of the Government of the Government and drawing salaries amounting to over downward. They were every one in office before Mr. Cleveland was elected President, and they are every one in office yet, and there is not one of them who is not a partisan Republican appointed for his partisanship and not for his fitness or capacity. In view of facts like these it is by no means certain that his countrymen, especially those who elected him to office four years ago, will spare the 'doubt' which seems to be bothering him."

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This week promises to be one of interest in the House, and will probably be ushered in by a day of filibustering to-morrow on "Buspension Monday." Mr. Outhwaite stands ready to offer, under a suspension of the rules, a resolution fixing an early day for the consideration of the Union Pacific Funding bill, but he expects to be met twith the same unrelenting opposition which he has encountered on similar occasions in the past. Messra. Payson (III.), Anderson (Kan.) and Anderson (Ia.) have in their desks an assortment of time-worn measures which will be resurrected and introduced under the call of States, in order that their reading may consume the day and prevent Mr. Outhwaite from accomplishing his purpose.

Mr. Mills has signified his intention of calling up on Tuesday the resolution reported from the Committee on Ways and Means declaring that the Senate has no constitutional right to originate a tax bill under the guise of a substitute of a House bill. This will undoubtedly give rise to a debate, in which the constitutional question will be made subordinate to the question of the comparative merits of the Mills bill and the Senate substitute. Dependent on the

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Should this barrier remain on the calender and be successfully surmounted, two more obstacles will have to be overcome before the Cowles bill can be reached. These are the McMillin and Breckinridge bills, which have been reported from the Committee on Ways and Means for the purpose of placing in the hands of that committee weapons with which to cope with the Committee on Appropriations. The advocates of the Cowles bill, however, are confident of their ability to defeat the Ways and Means Committee in any event. Any cessation of these hostilities will be taken advantages. deans Committee in any event. Any cessation of these hostilities will be taken advantage. by the gentlemen in charge of the remappropriation bills to call them up for act.

The appropriation bills will occupy the stronghout the week. GEORGETOWN COLLEGE CENTENNIAL.

Georgetown College will celebrate its center nial this week, commencing Wednesday an closing Friday (Washington's Birthday). Feb 20 will be known as Faculty day. In the more ing religious exercises will be conducted by Cardinal Gibbons, successor of the founder Archbishop Carroll. In the evening theological degrees will be conferred, an address will be delivered by Mgr. Preston, and the Faculty with the college, former professors and tutors.

The next day will be the Alumni day. It will be celebrated by a meeting of the Alumni, clasmeetings of the old students, and banquet. The last day will be University day. In the morning class and society meetings will be held by the past and present students of the departments arts, medicine and law. In the afternoon there will be a solemn academic session of the three faculties, at which honorary degrees will be conferred. President Cleveland will announce the names and make a brief address. Georgetown College will celebrate its cen

ECHOES FROM THE PEOPLE. Points and Suggestions from "The Werld's Observant Readers.

To the Editor of The World :

Two years ago I wrote to you regarding naturalization of French citizens, to find out there should be any trouble for a Frenchm who was a naturalized American to return on short visit to his home to see his old folks. Your reply was that the United States Government would protect its subjects wherever they may be. On this supposition I took a trip to Franci in company with my wife. Not being quite surof the protection guaranteed by the United States Government, I called upon the United States Minister in Paris in regard to this versubject. He informed me that it would be bette not to go where people might know me, as would certainly get into trouble. Taking he advice I carefully avoided friends compelled to military duty in France, which duty even he United States Government, with all its boasting of protection to its naturalized citizens, condonating to prevent. If such is really is case I would like to know the use of being naturalized citizen of this great Republic Banswering the above you will confer a great favor on one of your old subscribers.

Brooklyn, Feb. 14.

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Taxing the Churches.

To the Editor of The World; Should church pews be taxed? What the difference between a box-owner of the opera and a pew-owner? Both are a kind of resease and a pew-owner? Both are a kind of resease and a pew-owner to pay taxe. Free churches would not be affected.

New York, Feb. 16. A CONSTANT READER.

The Ballot in Rhode Island.

There has been no reform so earnestly and a cerely desired by the great mass of the people Rhode Island for many years as that which embodied in the Assembly bill for the establishment of the Australian ballo; system. The sandals that have attended our election aroused a very deep feeling that the good named and welfare of the State imperatively requirements that something should be done to ramedy that

America Will Test-'er. To test matrimony the noble Marquis of At bury, the greatest scamp in Great Britain, B

ried Dolly Tester, a ballet dancer. He po-claims that Dolly, as well as marriage, is a fa-ure. Cheer up, Dolly. An end place is chorus and abundant ducats are waiting for re-on this side.

Well Fitted for the Place. [From the Chicago Herald.]
Dan Lamont is to be the President of railroad company. A man who has dealt Federal office-seekers is not afraid of strik